

SUPPLEMENTAL REISSUE DECLARATION

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name.

I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a reissue patent is sought on the invention entitled **AUTOMATED SELF-CLEANING LITTER BOX FOR CATS**, the specification of which was filed on December 24, 1997 as Application Serial No. 08/997,879, and which was amended on April 5, 1999 and December 28, 1998.

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by the above-identified amendments.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose to the Patent and Trademark Office all information known to me to be material to patentability as defined in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56.

I believe that U.S. Patent No. 5,477,812 is wholly or partly inoperative or invalid by reason of the patentee claiming less than the patentee had the right to claim in the patent. In particular, claim 1 of U.S. Patent No. 5,477,812 contains recitations regarding a cat exit sensor and delay means which are too limiting of the invention and unnecessary in view of the prior art. Claims 23 through 48 of the reissue application have limitations similar to those of claim 1, but define the invention with greater breadth.

All errors corrected in the reissue application arose without any deceptive intention on the part of the applicant.

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I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under 18 U.S.C. § 1001 and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

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